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**RESTRICTION RESPONSE**

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 11, 2007, Applicants provisionally elect, for examination purposes only, the following sub-species (corresponding to claims 1-13):

Formula B.1:  $X^1$  and  $X^4$  are mercapto,  $X^2$  and  $X^3$  are hydroxy, and  $R^{10}$  is hydrogen;

Formula C.1:  $R^{16}$  and  $R^{20}$  are propyl,  $R^{17}$ - $R^{19}$  and  $R^{21}$  are hydrogen, and  $n=10$ ;

Formula D.1: Z is a non-substituted  $C_3$ -alkylene; and

Formula D.2:  $R^{22}$ - $R^{23}$  and  $R^{25}$  are hydrogen, and  $R^{24}$  is methyl.

This election is made with traverse.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.